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Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to set up a centre to impart training in environment friendly technologies in various sectors such as energy, mining, construction and transport;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of grants sanctioned and released to various States and Union Territories for the implementation of said technologies during the last one year, till-date;

(d) whether the Government have received any complaints for misuse of funds by any State;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) the steps taken by the Government in this regard;
(g) whether there is a need for improving environment governance and using market based instruments for green choices in order to provide solutions to the environment problems in future; and
(h) if so, the main action programmes that are being considered in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI BABULAL MARANDI)

(a) No such Centre is contemplated to be set up.

(b),(c),(d),(e) & (f) Does not arise.

(g) & (h) The Government of India have pursued aregulatory regime for the prevention and control of pollution. However market based instrument in the form of water cess, and other management tools like ecolabelling, ISO- Certification and green rating of industry have also been introduced. A mix of regulatory regime and market based instruments would be a suitable strategy for improved environmental governance in future.